

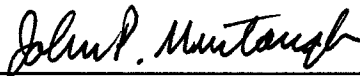
REMARKS

Applicant's counsel thanks the Examiner for the careful consideration given the application.

In the most recent Office action, the Examiner stated that claims 1-16 were allowed and that claims 17-21 were rejected. Applicant has now cancelled without prejudice claims 17-21 so that claims 1-16 can be issued as a patent. Since allowed claims 1-16 are the only claims remaining in the case, a Notice of Allowance is now in order and is respectfully requested.

If any further fees are required by this communication, please charge such fees to our Deposit Account No. 16-0820, Order No. BUG4-40378.

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